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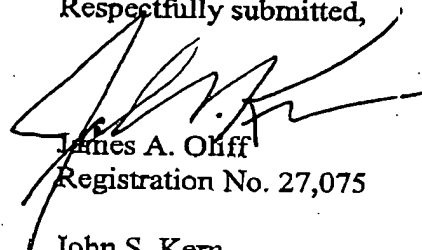
Application No. 10/542,767

REMARKS

Claims 11-31 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 11-12, 14, 17-19, 21-22, 24 and 27-29 are amended to correspond to patentable claims 1-6 in JP Application No. 2003/019108 (now patented as JP No. 3849650). Additionally, claims 13, 15-16, 20, 23, 25-26 and 30 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and new claim 31 is added. New claim 31 corresponds to patentable claim 1 in JP Application No. 2003/019108. No new matter is introduced.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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